

## RONI, ACCORDING TO MARIA D. PRATO.

Sweet macaroni, you must softly simmer  
In savory bouillon till you're soft and mel-  
low.  
Then, blended like the notes of flute and  
cello,  
The cheese is sprinkled—parmesan's bright  
glitter.  
With grapes grated, unctuous and dimmer,  
The whole a wondrous symphony in yellow.  
At last, served steaming to some lucky fellow,  
With red tomato essence for a trimmer.  
Such was ambrosia that the gods invented  
For feasts Olympian, crowned with nectar  
thirst.  
Great Jupiter himself essayed it first,  
Then passed the dish, and Juno was contented.  
Double faced Janna, off guard for the nonce,  
Partook of it. He had two plates at once!  
—Henry Turrell in New York Sun.

## REACHED FAME AT A BOUND.

Here the Famous Dialect Novelist Made  
His First Hit.

The man who had sprung into sudden  
prominence in the literary world had  
grown a trifle reminiscent under the  
influence of a good cigar and a small  
bottle, and one of the members of the  
party decided that there could be no  
better time to get the story of his re-  
markable success.

"I do not recall that any one ever be-  
came more suddenly famous in the lit-  
erary world than you," suggested the  
curious one.

"I imagine that I came very close to  
breaking a record," replied the literary  
light.

"One day you were unknown, and the  
next day every literary critic in the  
country was singing your praise and  
people were standing in line to buy  
your books," continued the curious one.  
"Quite true," admitted the literary  
light. "My reputation was made by a  
single story, and that story might be  
called an accident."

"That's what I want to get at," ex-  
plained the curious one. "I want to  
hear the story of that story. Where did  
you get the idea and what impelled you  
to write it? What was your inspira-  
tion?"

The literary light laughed and reached  
for his glass.

"The secret of that story is soon  
told," he said as soon as the glass was  
empty. "You see, I had a typewriter."  
"Young and pretty!" they all broke  
in.

"Machine, not operator," explained  
the literary light. "Machine was all I  
could afford at that time, and I had to  
get that on the installment plan. I ran  
it myself, you know."

"Well! Go on."

"One day I thoughtlessly went out  
without putting the cover on it, and my  
5-year-old boy got at it."

"Couldn't run it, could he?" they  
asked.

"Of course not, but I'd let him help  
me put the paper in and take it out un-  
til he had mastered that much of the  
operation of the machine, and as the  
click of it pleased him and there was  
no one there to stop him he hammered  
away at it for about two hours."

"But what has that to do with your  
story?"

"That was the story," answered the  
literary light. "When I saw what he  
had done, I gathered the pages to-  
gether, numbered them, got up a title  
and sent the whole thing to a leading  
magazine with a note saying that it  
was a dialect story of a Scotch-Welsh  
settlement that got mixed up with the  
Dutch in South Africa, and—well, I  
haven't had to do a thing since then  
except buy typewriters for the boy.  
He's a little bit rough at times, but so  
long as he doesn't smash over one ma-  
chine a month I can afford it."—Chi-  
cago Post.

## Striking Effect of Climate.

Occasionally an eloquent testimonial  
to the virtues of a "health resort" fails  
to find a place in the printed matter  
sent out by the hotel keepers or others  
interested in the prosperity of the place.

A railway president who had gone to  
one of the summer resorts of the north-  
west to spend a few weeks was sitting  
on the veranda of a hotel enjoying the  
lake scenery and his cigar when he  
was accosted by a resident "boomer"  
with the remark:

"You'll find the air here full of ozone,  
sir. You'll sleep like a log. Before you  
have been here a week you will gain  
ten pounds or I miss my guess, and  
I'm generally right."

"I don't doubt it," replied the rail-  
way magnate. "I gained eight pounds  
the very first day."

"That beats the record," said the  
"boomer," slightly dazed, but recover-  
ing himself promptly, "though I've  
known instances almost equal to it."

"Yes," rejoined the other, "eight  
pounds. I weighed myself on a nickel  
in the slot machine at the railway sta-  
tion when I landed here, and the in-  
dicator pointed to 157. An hour later  
I stepped on the same kind of machine  
at the hotel, and the figure was 165.  
Gain of eight pounds in 60 minutes,  
sir, and I hadn't eaten a bite. Hadn't  
done anything but breathe this wonder-  
ful air. Never saw anything like it.  
Marvelous climate, sir—simply marvel-  
ous. And all it cost me was 10 cents."  
—Youth's Companion.

## Rare Felicity.

She—Such lovely bargains as there  
are at that new place!

He—Ah?

She—Yes, silks at 18 cents, and in a  
store so small that a hundred persons  
crowd it to suffocation!—Detroit Jour-  
nal.

Johnson's  
Chill and  
Fever  
Tonic

es Fever  
ne Day.

## Slum Work in London.

To accomplish any substantial result  
in slum work in London, a woman must  
not only give time and strength but  
life itself. Miss Meredith Brown, the  
English philanthropist, who has been  
the champion of the factory girls for  
some years, says that women who know  
only the slums of New York and Chi-  
cago have no conception of the horrors and  
misery of the slums close to the aristoc-  
ratic parts of London. The girls which  
Miss Brown's special mission reaches  
are so rough and lawless that the Sal-  
vation Army would not take them in,  
and the directors of a mission which  
had invited the girls to tea refused to  
allow them into the building again. The  
girls came to the feast with pillow  
slips under their aprons and snatched  
everything to eat off the table before  
their hostesses could stop them.

Finally the courageous women inter-  
ested in the welfare of these young  
semisavages decided that to reach the  
girls they would have to live among  
them. Ten dauntless women took up  
their residence in a rickety old house in  
the very heart of all the misery and  
squalor which makes the wild girls  
what they are, and their efforts at last  
were met with more than an encour-  
aging response. "But it is very hard on  
the health," says Miss Brown. "Two  
years will break down any one, so we  
have lost some of our best workers."—  
New York Commercial.

In a total population of a little over  
3,000,000 Switzerland now has over  
1,000,000 depositors in savings banks,  
with an average for each family of \$275  
in cash deposits.

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The State of South Carolina,  
COUNTY OF SUMTER.

By T. V. Walsh, Esq., Probate Judge  
WHEREAS SHEPARD NASH, C. C. C.  
P. for the County of Sumter, made  
suit to me to grant him letters of adminis-  
tration of the Estate and Effects of Joseph T.  
Andrews and W. Smith Andrews, deceased;  
These are therefore to cite and admonish all  
and singular the kindred and creditors of the  
said Joseph T. Andrews and W. Smith  
Andrews, deceased, that they be and appear  
before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held  
at Sumter, S. C., on the 31st day of January  
A. D. 1898, next, after publication thereof,  
at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause  
if any they have, why the said administration  
should not be granted.

Given under my hand this 23 day of  
December, A. D. 1897.  
THOS. V. WALSH,  
Judge of Probate.

## GETTING READY

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Nov. 10.

## —THE—

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These are therefore to cite and admonish all  
and singular the kindred and creditors of the  
said Zimmerman S. Harris, late of said county  
and State, deceased, that they be and appear  
before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held  
at Sumter, on January 6th, 1898, next, after  
publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the fore-  
noon, to show cause, if any they have, why  
the said Administration should not be granted.

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THOS. V. WALSH,  
Judge of Probate.

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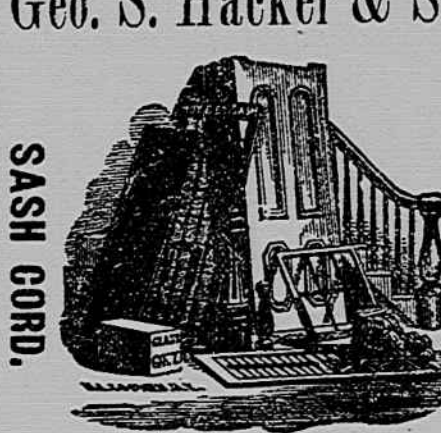
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Sumter from October 15th to December 31st,  
next, for the collection of taxes for the pres-  
ent fiscal year, and for collection of commu-  
tation road tax for 1898.

It is very important, for two reasons, that  
you should pay up earlier than usual. In  
the first place, my salary having been re-  
duced twenty per cent. by the last Legisla-  
ture renders it impossible for me to employ  
my usual clerks, hence with the usual rush  
toward the last, many will fail to get in. In  
the second place, the Auditor has never re-  
quired heretofore that the tax books be turned  
over to him promptly for making up the  
penalty book. He has already notified me  
that on account of a change in the Law regu-  
lating the work of his office that he would be  
compelled to have the books as required by  
Law, so that I am compelled to close up on  
Dec. 31st.

N. B. In view of the above reasons don't  
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